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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Inventorship ..... Kevin Collins  
Applicant ..... Hewlett-Packard Company  
Group Art Unit ..... 2114  
Examiner ..... I.e, Dieu Minh T  
Confirmation No. .... 4853  
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Title: Storage Device Performance Monitor

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114**  
**WITH PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action dated April 4, 2005 Applicant submits this Request for Continued Examination (RCE) within the 3 month reply date set forth in the final rejection.